Do not be afraid.
I bring you good news
of great joy that will be
for all people.
Luke 2:10

SAINT ANDREW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Dear People of God,

Our theme for this program year is **Tell Me Something Good: Grounded in Grace and Gratitude**. The Good News of God in Jesus Christ is at the heart of our life together at St. Andrew's. It is what we proclaim in worship, embody in our daily lives, and make manifest through our love of one another and our neighbors. We have been fundamentally shaped by God's grace, and it is grace that serves as the foundation for both our gratitude and our generosity.

The many ways you give of your time, your talent, and your treasure is good news. Each week, we welcome both new and familiar faces to participate in vibrant worship, timely and thoughtful formation, life-giving service, and meaningful small groups. We have shared God's generosity through our ongoing support of Abundant Life, our school supply and toiletry drives, and the provision of seed money for the building of affordable housing. We have supported our youth as they travelled to Asheville to help with Hurricane Helene restoration and to Charleston. We have honored traditions like Deck the Halls and the Blessing of the Animals and held important Community Conversations about how to curb local gun violence and celebrate our companion diocese in Botswana. We have continued to chip away at deferred facility maintenance and beautified our campus to make St. Andrew's a more welcoming space. New groups have formed like the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and Cursillo 4th Day, and we have begun Community Eucharists at Friends Homes West and WhiteStone. The statistics below offer a snapshot of our life together over the last year.

Eucharists offered — 9,260
Abundant Life volunteers — 30
Quarts of chili made — 170
Children in Vacation Bible School — 19
eNews messages distributed — 24,960
Pounds of food donated to SimpleWays — 10,400
Birthday cards sent — 361
Youth attending EYC and mission trips — 34
Hymns sung in worship — 328
Coffee Hour volunteers — 98

This is what it means to live with gratitude for God's many gifts and to share God's grace with others. And these numbers do not include the hopes lifted, prayers offered, and hurts forgiven. Your generosity makes a difference.

St. Andrew's is thriving because of you. The annual giving campaign, which runs from ***October 18 to November 1***, focuses on the financial support needed to sustain and grow the church. As you prayerfully consider your pledge this year, know that every gift is appreciated. Each gift matters. May we give generously and joyfully so that St. Andrew's continues to grow in Christ's grace, sharing God's Good News and love.

With gratitude for you,

Tim Fleming, *Senior Warden*
Eric Revell, *Stewardship Chair*
Rev. Ginny Bain Inman, *Rector*

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